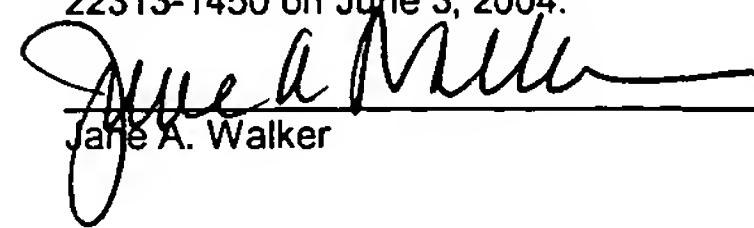


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U.S. Patent No. 6,395,257, Serial No. 09/484,322, filed January 18, 2000 upon which this continuation-in-part application is based. Accordingly, no further comment on the disclosures is believed necessary.

Copies of the cited references are in the parent case and thus copies are not submitted herewith, except for the following: International Search Report in the corresponding PCT Application No. PCT/US01/01407; Japanese reference No. JP59192595; A. Becker et al. reference entitled "Transferrin Mediated Tumor Delivery of Contrast Media for Optical Imaging and Magnetic Resonance Imaging"; Bergmark et al. reference entitled "Dramatic Fluorescence Effects for Courmarin Laser Dyes Coincluded with Organic Solvents in Cyclodextrins"; Braun-Falco et al. reference entitled "Liposome Dermatics"; Giulio Jori reference entitled "Novel Therapeutic Modalities Based on Photosensitized Processes"; Giulio Jori reference entitled "Far-red-absorbing photosensitzers: their use in the photodynamic therapy of tumours"; Jori and Reddi reference entitled "Second Generation Photosensitzers for the Photodynamic Therapy of Tumours"; Giulio Jori reference entitled "Tumour photosensitzers: approaches to enhance the selectivity and efficiency of photodynamic therapy"; Lasic and Martin (eds.) reference entitled "Stealth Liposomes"; and Brian C. Wilson reference entitled "Optical Properties of Tissues".

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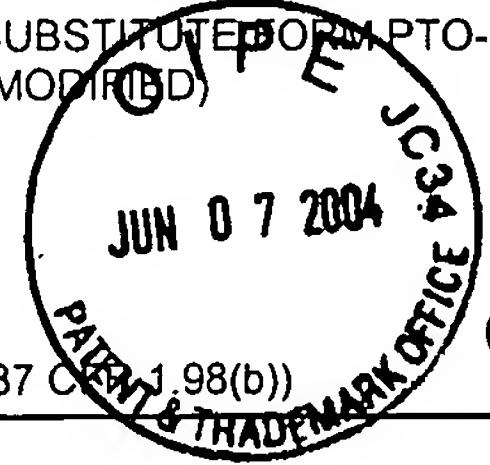
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